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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA -- The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 80 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "Look up a health care provider license" in the "How Do I?" section of the Department of Health website (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Grays Harbor County

In August 2015 the secretary of health ended probation for chemical dependency professional trainee **Stephanie Raye Hollandsworth** (CO60345574).

In July 2015 the secretary of health denied a chemical dependency professional trainee credential to **Jesus Orozco Pacheco** (CO60523169). Between 2007 and 2012 Pacheco was convicted of one felony, six gross misdemeanors, five misdemeanors, and received deferred prosecution on another gross misdemeanor charge. He also didn't comply with a Department of Health requirement to undergo a substance abuse evaluation.

Island County

In August 2015 the Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Program charged licensed marriage and family therapist **Arely Jimenez** (LF00002661) with unprofessional conduct. In 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program ordered Jimenez to cease and desist from the practice of naturopathy, a profession in which, charges say, she has no license.

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King County

In August 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Renee L. Beebe** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Beebe allegedly offered and provided cranial sacral therapy despite having no massage practitioner license.

In August 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program entered an agreement with **Xianghong Wei** under which Wei must cease and desist from the practice of massage. Wei, who must pay a \$1,000 fine, practiced massage without a license.

In August 2015 the secretary of health conditionally granted a certified nursing assistant credential to **Grethel Tatiana Perez** (NC60257270) and placed her on probation for at least two years. On her application, Perez said she'd never been known by another name and that she'd never been denied a license. On a 2014 application Perez said she had been known by another name and had applications previously denied twice.

In August 2015 the Nursing Commission conditionally granted a registered nurse credential to **Christy Jane McIntosh** (RN60570089) and ordered her to undergo an evaluation for a substance abuse monitoring program. In 2012 McIntosh was convicted of reckless driving. In 2014 she received deferred prosecution on a driving while intoxicated charge.

In August 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program entered an agreement with **Wei Zhang** under which Zhang must cease and desist from the unlicensed practice of massage. Zhang must pay \$400 of a \$1,000 fine. Zhang, who had no Washington massage license at the time, operated a business where an unlicensed person offered to provide massage services.

In August 2015 the secretary of health ended conditions on the registered nursing assistant credential of **Michelle Bush**, also known as Michelle Bush-Young (NA00191097).

Kitsap County

In August 2015 the secretary of health conditionally granted a massage practitioner credential to **Jack Hamilton Ballard** (MA60473288) and ordered him to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program. Between 2004 and 2012 he was convicted of three felonies, four gross misdemeanors and one misdemeanor. A 2012 methamphetamine possession charge was dismissed after he completed drug court in 2014.

Lincoln County

In September 2015 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Amie Mae Snider** (RN00173470) with unprofessional conduct. While working at a skilled nursing facility, Snider allegedly wrote multiple orders for narcotic pain medications contrary to nursing standards of practice. Charges say she didn't follow the facility's procedures.

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Pierce County

In August 2015 the Counselor Program charged agency-affiliated counselor **Bethany Nicole Walker** (CG60541892) with unprofessional conduct. Charges say that while Walker worked for a juvenile detention agency, she developed a personal relationship with a teenage client that included kissing and sexual contact.

In August 2015 the Medical Commission ended an agreement with physician **Myles Ellis Goldflies** (MD00046009).

In September 2015 the secretary of health ended conditions on the credential of chemical dependency professional trainee **Holly Ann Smith** (CO60460732).

In September 2015 the secretary of health ended conditions on the certified nursing assistant credential of **Leakey Wachira Ngigi** (NC60077761).

In August 2015 the Medical Commission modified an agreement with physician **David A. Davidson** (MD00035868) replacing the word "probation" with the word "oversight" in a 2014 agreement. The 2014 agreement addressed Davidson's 2012 guilty plea to second-degree criminal trespass in connection with viewing graphic pornographic images on a work computer he had taken home. It also addressed his 2007 interpretation of images of a patient's head, finding no evidence of an aneurysm or other abnormality. In 2009, the patient had a ruptured aneurysm.

Skagit County

In August 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program amended a notification to **Clarence Hugh Jonson** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. The amended notification adds allegations involving patient treatment.

Snohomish County

In August 2015 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Elaine C. Ross** (RN00171442) with unprofessional conduct. Charges say Ross didn't document administering or disposing of narcotic medication five times. Ross allegedly admitted diverting narcotics for her own use.

In August 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program entered an agreement with **Courtney Horn** under which Horn must cease and desist from the unlicensed practice of massage. Horn must pay \$250 of a \$1,000 fine. Horn advertised massage despite having no Washington massage license.

In July 2015 the secretary of health conditionally granted a certified nursing assistant credential to **Haregeweine Lanteyemenu Getahun** (NC60557224). She must abide by conditions in a 2015 stipulation on her registered nursing assistant credential.

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Spokane County

In August 2015 the Chemical Dependency Professional and Social Worker programs entered an agreement with chemical dependency professional and independent clinical social worker associate **Coy Robert Osgood** (CP60065645, SC60229390) that places him on probation for at least two years. Osgood blurred therapeutic and personal relationship boundaries with a client by exchanging hugs and gifts, giving her his personal phone number, and allowing the mutual use of nicknames. Osgood didn't inform the client of other professionals who could have treated her. He increased her fees without telling her. He didn't refer the client to another professional when she expressed feelings of love toward him, and when she told Osgood she was having sexual fantasies about the two of them.

In September 2015 the secretary of health ended conditions on the credential of chemical dependency professional trainee **Christopher Nathan Babcock** (CO60472863).

Walla Walla County

In August 2015 the Chemical Dependency Professional and Social Worker programs charged chemical dependency professional and independent clinical social worker associate **Kirk R. Stadelmeyer** (CP60081245, SC60202267) with unprofessional conduct. Stadelmeyer allegedly tested positive for methamphetamines.

Out of State

California: In August 2015 the Pharmacy Commission ended conditions on the credential of pharmacist **Richelle Marian Kubicki** (PH60184852).

New York: In August 2015 the Naturopathy Board reinstated the naturopathic physician credential of **Edmund M. Corpuz** (NT00001270) and placed him on probation for at least two years. His license was suspended in February 2015. Corpuz admitted treating patients over Skype with no visual or physical contact. He didn't perform adequate exams and didn't keep any records for the patients he treated. Corpuz prescribed a substance for weight loss that isn't approved for that use, lacks evidence of being safe and effective, and has potentially serious side effects.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

The <u>Department of Health website</u> (doh.wa.gov) is your source for *a healthy dose of information*. Also, <u>find us on Facebook</u> and <u>follow us on Twitter</u>.